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SUBJ: GENERAL HASNAN HABIB CALLS ON STATE AND DEFENSE
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1. MAJOR GENERALS HASNAN HABIB AND POERBO SOEWONDO USED OCCASION THEIR VISIT TO WASHINGTON WITH TEAM FROM CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIC STUDIES TO CALL ON ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY HUMMEL AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR PM PICKERING ON MAY 11 AND DIRECTOR DSAA (DOD) ADMIRAL PEET ON MAY 10.
2. DURING CALLS ON HUMMEL AND PICKERING GENERAL HASNAN DISCUSSED A BROAD RANGE OF TOPICS INCLUDING FUTURE JAPANESE SECURITY ROLE IN ASIA, IMPACT OF SINO- SOVIET CONFLICT ON THIRD COUNTRIES, BREZHNEV ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY PROPOSAL, ASEAN, US/ AUSTRALIAN RELATIONS, AND STATIONING U. S. FORCES IN THAILAND. HOWEVER GENERAL HASNAN WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN U. S. ESTIMATE OF FUTURE
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DEVELOPMENTS IN INDOCHINA AND WHETHER AMERICAN PUBLIC AND CONGRESS WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT FOREIGN ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE. HUMMEL REFERRED TO FORTHCOMING KISSINGER- THO TALKS, AND SAID OUTCOME WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT IN DETERMINING AND POSSIBLY CHANGING CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES. HE NOTED THAT PRELIMINARY TALKS BETWEEN SULLIVAN AND THACH HAD GIVEN HOPE THAT KISSINGER- THO TALKS WOULD BE FRUITFUL. HUMMEL PROMISED U. S. WOULD KEEP GOI

INFORMED OF RESULTS OF THESE DISCUSSIONS.

3. IN RESPONSE TO GENERAL HASNAN'S CONCERN OVER FUTURE OF MAP (ESPECIALLY FULBRIGHT BILL CALLING FOR PHASE OUT ALL MILITARY AID OVER TWO- YEAR PERIOD), PICKERING STRESSED THAT ADMINISTRATION WOULD DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO KEEP FOREIGN AID PROGRAM INTACT ALTHOUGH THERE WAS BOUND TO BE SOME CUTTING AND PARING IN THE PROCESS. WITH RESPECT TO INDONESIAN MAP, PICKERING ASKED WHETHER U. S. ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE ALTERED IN ANY WAY TO GIVE GREATER ATTENTION TO CIVIC ACTION. HASNAN REPLIED THAT TNI CAPABILITY IN THIS AREA WAS UNDER- UTILIZED AND IMPLIED THAT ADDITIONAL U. S. ASSISTANCE FOR CIVIC ACTION WAS THEREFORE NOT NEEDED. INSTEAD HE STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF HAVING GREATER NAVAL PATROL CAPABILITY TO MEET NEEDS CAUSED BY SCRAPPING OF OLD SOVIET VESSELS. PICKERING COMMENTED THAT U. S. WAS WILLING TO CONSIDER PROVIDING ANOTHER DESTROYER ESCORT AS SOON AS ONE BECAME AVAILABLE, BUT THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO SUPPLY SMALLER PATROL BOATS. HE ASKED GENERAL HASNAN WHETHER U. S. SHOULD LOOK INTO POSSIBILITY OF USING MAP FUNDS TO ACQUIRE SPARE PARTS FROM NON- SOVIET SOURCES SUCH AS YUGOSLAVIA IN ORDER TO KEEP SOME OF THEIR OLDER NAVY PATROL BOATS USEABLE. GENERAL HASNAN APPEARED UNENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THIS POSSIBILITY, STATING THAT YUGOSLAVIA WAS THE ONE COUNTRY WHERE THE GOI HAD NOT REACHED AGREEMENT ON DEBT RESCHEDULING.

4. GENERAL HASNAN'S DISCUSSION WITH ADMIRAL PEET WAS GENERAL IN NATURE. IN RESPONSE TO HIS PROBING OF OUT YEAR FUNDING POSSIBILITIES, ADMIRAL PEET REPLIED IN GENERAL TERMS AND INDICATED THAT GOI SHOULD NOT COUNT ON

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MORE THAN CURRENT LEVELS GIVEN THE MOOD OF CONGRESS RELATIVE TO FOREIGN ASSISTANCE.

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